

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A cleaning appliance of the cylinder type, comprising:
a main body having a front portion, a rear portion, and first and second side portions,
a hose for carrying fluid to or from the main body storable along a non-planar sinuous
path around a periphery of the main body, and
first and second wheels mounted on the respective first and second side portions of the
main body, the first and second wheels being configured to be in contact with a floor surface
when the cleaning appliance is in use, and
a guide located on the main body configured for guiding to guide the hose along a portion
of the non-planar sinuous path,
wherein, along the non-planar sinuous path on at least said first side portion, a height of
the stored hose with respect to the floor surface increases from the front portion of the main body
to a peak above the first wheel and decreases from the peak towards the rear portion of the main
body.
hose storage path which is a non-planar sinuous path around the periphery of the main
body,
wherein the main body comprises a pair of wheels which are mounted on the sides of the
main body, and
wherein the guide is located on the main body such that the hose storage path lies around
at least part of the wheels and such that the hose storage path is closer to a base of the main body
at the front and back of the main body, the hose storage path increasing in height from the base
of the main body in the region of the wheels.

2-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the guide is located on the main body such that the hose storage path non-planar sinuous path extends once around the periphery of the main body.

7. (Previously Presented) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising a first connector for connecting a first end of the hose to the main body and a second connector for connecting the second end of the hose to a wand, and wherein the first connector is located on the main body at a position which is adjacent the position of the second connector when the wand is retained on the main body such that the hose can be stored by wrapping the hose once around the entire periphery of the main body.

8. (Withdrawn) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising a first connector for connecting a first end of the hose to the main body and a second connector for connecting the second end of the hose to a wand, and wherein the first connector is located on the main body at a position which is at an opposite end of the main body to the position of the second connector when the wand is retained on the main body such that the hose can be stored by wrapping the hose one and a half times around the entire periphery of the main body.

9. (Currently Amended) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the guide comprises a channel which extends at least part way around the periphery of the main body and defines the hose storage path non-planar sinuous path.

10. (Previously Presented) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein at least part of the guide can also retain the hose on the main body.

11. (Previously Presented) The cleaning appliance according to claim 10, wherein the guide comprises a channel which extends at least part way around the periphery of the main body and at least one portion of the channel is arranged to retain the hose.

12. (Previously Presented) The cleaning appliance according to claim 11, wherein each end portion of the channel is arranged to retain the hose.

13. (Withdrawn) The cleaning appliance according to claim 11, wherein the entire length of the channel is arranged to retain the hose.

14. (Currently Amended) The cleaning appliance according to claim 10, wherein the guide comprises at least one clip which is positioned along the ~~hose storage path~~ non-planar sinuous path.

15. (Withdrawn) The cleaning appliance according to claim 14, wherein the clip is movable between a closed position, in which it retains the hose, and an open position in which it can receive or release the hose.

16. (Withdrawn) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the guide comprises a set of hooks which are positioned on the inside edge of changes in direction along the hose storage path.

17. (Withdrawn) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the guide is formed integrally with the main body.

18. (Previously Presented) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the guide is removably mounted on the main body.

19. (Previously Presented) The cleaning appliance according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the hose has a length which is greater than the hose storage path around the main body, and wherein the hose comprises a locator that identifies the portion of the hose which is to be retained on the main body.

20. (Canceled).

21. (Currently Amended) The cleaning apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the guide is located on the main body such that the ~~hose storage path~~ non-planar sinuous path curves around at least part of the wheels.